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Title: METAL BACK OR MESH CROSSLINKING

**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**  
**UNDER 37 CFR § 1.114**

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Sir:

Applicants herein respond to the Final Office Action mailed December 2, 2009 (Paper No. 20091124).

Applicants petition for a one-month extension of time, as well as any other needed extension, and provide the requisite fee herewith. Please debit any underpayments, or credit any overpayments, to firm deposit account no. 50-2283.

Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments to the application and request reconsideration of the rejections in view of the following remarks.